

# DURHAM COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

April 28, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Note Taker: Celia Jefferson

## **Members Present**

Nancy Kent  
David Addison  
Anna Lee Mosley  
Tim Burris  
Gerri Robinson  
Brenda Howerton  
Nathan B. Curry  
Herman Scott  
Georgette O'Mary  
Pauletta Brown Bracey  
Angela Nunn  
Donald Pinchback  
Delphine Sellars  
Karen K. Thompson  
Fungai Bennett  
Rev. Johnnie W. Foster, Jr.  
Keith Howard

## **Excused Absences**

Rhonda Parker  
Gayle Harris  
Arnold Dennis

## **Absent**

Julie Linehan

## **Others Present**

Tracy Moore, United Way  
Gudrun Parmer, CJRC  
Rebecca A. Williams, Citizen  
Renee Porter, Dept. of Criminal Justice

## **Welcome, Announcements and Community Concerns**

Angela Nunn, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00pm and opened with welcoming everyone and asking all to introduce themselves and share community concerns and announcements.

## **Motivational Interviewing Training**

Gudrun Parmer reminded the council of JCPC sponsoring a 2 part contiguous Motivational Interviewing Training for juvenile justice professionals. Paul Nagy of Duke University Medical Center will facilitate the training. The dates and times are: Friday, May 14 from 9:00am until 12noon (breakfast will be served). Monday, May 24 from 1:00pm until 4:00pm. (lunch will be served).

## **Presentation**

Renee E. Porter from the department of Criminal Justice located at North Carolina Central University presented on the topic of Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC). DMC is the overrepresentation of minority youth in the juvenile justice system. Like the majority of counties in the state, Durham County has a need to address the overrepresentation of minorities in the Juvenile Justice System. North Carolina Central University Juvenile Justice Institute has been awarded a 2-year grant to examine the issue from a systems perspective. The focus of the initiative will be to identify targeted opportunities for interventions that can lead to reducing DMC not only in Durham County but across the state.

Below are reasons why Durham County should focus on DMC:

- DMC has a devastating impact on minority youth.
- Among similarly sized communities in the southeastern US, Durham ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in the total number of gang members.
- The county has a relatively high dropout rate with an overrepresentation of minority dropouts (ranking 3<sup>rd</sup> among the state's largest districts.
- Lastly, there is a 10 to 1 minority to non-minority suspension ratio in the public schools.

The following proposed strategies to reduce DMC in Durham County: (See handouts that were distributed in the meeting for detailed explanations and proposed outcomes).

- Collaboration
- DMC Assessment
- Research and Evaluation
- Public Awareness and Education

Renee stated she has been looking at one of the best practice models for DMC located in Clayton County Georgia. Donald Pinchback and Renee requested a letter of support to be written to the Governor's Crime Commission Division for an extension of funding to support the project manager salary to move the project to the next level.

**Motion:** Angela motioned a letter of support to be written to the Governor's Crime Commission Division for an extension of funding to support the project manager salary to move the project to the next level. **Action:** Seconded and Approved.

Fungai Bennett requested a letter of support to be written to the City/County regarding how crucial it is to continue the funding for the following positions: Domestic Violence, Gang Prevention, three District Attorneys and an emergency judge? Fungai stated she will work with Angela on the logistics.

**Motion:** Pauletta motioned a letter of support to be written to the City/County regarding how crucial it is to continue the funding for the following positions: Domestic Violence, Gang Prevention, three District Attorneys and an emergency judge. **Action:** Seconded and Approved.

#### **Programs recommended for DJJDP funding**

The JCPC Funding committee met on April 20th, 2010 at 1:00pm to review all applications requesting funding from the Department of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention/Juvenile Crime Prevention Council. After reviewing, recommendations were made by the funding committee of what programs to fund. The funding committee will present recommendations to the entire JCPC board during this meeting. Recommendations from the funding committee are as follows:

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Teen Court and Restitution** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$163,973 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **P.R.O.U.D.** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$50,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Court Psychologist** service be funded at a reduce level in the amount of \$49,151 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Parenting of Adolescent** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$94,800 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Rites of Passage** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$8,400 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Build Family Strength** program be funded at a reduced level in the amount of \$10,800 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Adolescent Parenting** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$12,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved. Gerri Robinson abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Young Warriors Athlete Scholarship** program be funded at an increased level in the amount of \$18,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved. Donald Pinchback abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Evidence Based Trauma Assessment & Treatment** program be funded at a reduced level in the amount of \$12,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. A provisional evaluation will be done the middle of FY 2010-2011. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Street Outreach for Gang/Intervention/Project BUILD** program be funded at the same level in the amount of \$35,185 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved. Delphine Sellars abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Durham Mediation Center Juvenile Justice Project** be funded in the amount of \$9,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. A provisional evaluation will be done the middle of FY 2010-2011. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Durham Mentors for Children & Youth** be funded in the amount of \$6,000 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. A provisional evaluation will be done the middle of FY 2010-2011. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **YouTh ink. @Hayti** program be funded in the amount of \$7,500 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Strengthening Families Program & Youth 10-14** program not be funded as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Parenting Wisely** program not be funded as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **Emergency Shelter Services** be funded at \$6,791 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned the **JCPC Administrative Cost** be funded at the highest level in the amount of \$15,500 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

**Motion:** Karen Thompson, JCPC funding chair motioned **7% of a possible budget reduction** be reserved at \$37,566 as noted on the attached grid by the funding committee. **Action:** Motion seconded and approved.

Meeting adjourned.

